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A Reviewer Reviewed.

Mud is cheap. Sound arguments scarce. We have to make these quotations after noting the manner in which the South Orange *Bulletin* deals in the former in a review which it makes of our Thanksgiving article last week. Our neighbor begins in this way:

"There is not any man with whom we less all presume it is he who, having given good education in a land of liberty, has disgraced his position to the manifest purpose of blistering up the irreconcileable Commissaries. Shultz, De-

Weed not print the half column which follows, simply because an editor who has lost 'all patience' at the start, is hardly in a fit frame of mind to go on and write either logically, temperately, or truthfully. We will, however, note one point. The *Bulletin* by monomaniac arraigns us as an 'apostate,' who under the name of working for the poor, seeks to sow the seeds of discord and undermine the foundations of society." Our brother does us great injustice. We will, however, note one point. The *Bulletin* by monomaniac arraigns us as an 'apostate,' who under the name of working for the poor, seeks to sow the seeds of discord and undermine the foundations of society."

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The world is tending rapidly toward its manifest destiny—the downfall of business governments of every grade—secular as well as ecclesiastical, and the substitution of a Theocracy which will have no need of the 'big business' from either the Communist or Joseph Cook standpoints. Strong government belongs to the past; is reactionary; destructive of society instead of preservative. The real destructionists are those fossils who resist the progress of civilization, those dogmatic Conservatives of the Six Oracle priests who want to do all the barking, who will not listen to nor permit, if they can hinder it, any discussion of moral or social questions, unless they are the censors. A heretic strictly to the traditions of the elders' is infatuated, both in theology and sociology, they impede the onward and upward tendency of mankind, and are as ready to effect a moral confusion of liberal thinkers and teachers as were the polished Greek and Roman pagans, at the dawning of Christianity.

A correspondent of the Paterson Guardian says Congregationalism is cold and self possessed, not a litter by, but afraid of improvement for his actions toward the bark. He had used every cent of money lie could lay his hands upon, no matter where it came from. He has been a poor man for years, but he has been living and passing off as a rich man on a fictitious basis and on borrowed capital. He can never get another cent of security, for all his friends have deserted him in disgust. The correspondent thinks he will not resign his seat at Washington but will be expeled.

A High-handed Murder Trial.

The Newark Advertiser says: The County Courier is now paying the bills for the late trial of Mr. Blair, and the total amount will reach about \$3,000. This sum was \$900 paid to Attorney General Shatto for twelve days services at \$75 per day; \$206 for board of the jurors, averaging \$196 formal during the sessions; a fee of \$75 for working a survey and map of the premises at Montclair. The other expenses are for witnesses, jurors, constable, use of mattresses and bedding for the jury, sheriff's and clerk's fees, and sundry expenses incurred upon the trial. The "jury extra" is for expenses allowed to the jury during their service, which amounted to \$12, and a barber's bill for shaving and cutting the hair of some of the jurors as wanted his services.

A capital number, and full of interesting and useful information, is the AMERICAN ARMED GUARDIAN for December 1. A hand-book of maps, articles, and items, giving practical hints and suggestions, are illustrated with nearly hundred engravings. A remarkable article, with accurate sketches of 21 new forms of Barbed Fencing, will interest every owner of a farm or village lot. A variety of hunting schemes are shown up. An important table of many sorts of feeding stuffs and their comparative value, is given. There are five illustrations of a Farmer's Christmas Visit; also of Tee-Houses and their fittings; the Jack Ass, Baboons, of Spiders and their webs; of Mill-wheels; of Christmas Ornaments, and a multitude of other things too numerous to speak of particularly. The 39th annual Arm'd Guard is now. Terms, \$1 50 a year. Single numbers, 15 cents. A specimen copy 5 cents. Orange Journal Company, Publishers, 245 Broadway, New York.

Health Association.

The annual meeting of the Citizens Health Association of the Oranges, Bloomfield and Montclair, was held at the rooms of the Berkeley Club, Orange, last Monday evening. The Treasurer reported receipts, \$32 50; expended \$34 90; bills outstanding, \$14. Mr. Jas C Bayles, of the committee to confer with the East Orange authorities, reported that some work in the way of drainage had been done by private individuals, but that nothing could be done by the authorities, owing to insufficient legislation. At his suggestion Messrs Baylis, J. L. Muus, A. P. Condit and J. L. Blaikie were appointed to draft a General Enabling act, to be presented by him to the State Board of Health, and by them brought before the Legislature.

Mr. Edward E. Quincy, of the committee to consider the scheme proposed by Gen. Vieille, to procure a water supply from Little Falls, reported that in the opinion of the committee the scheme was very largely in the interest of Gen. Vieille and his friends, and that it would cost too much money to be practicable. He then referred to [Mr. J. C. Clayton, of New York, to present the subject of driven wells. Mr. Clayton told the satisfactory results of the driven well experiments in Belleville, where ten three-inch wells had for three months yielded an average daily supply of 750,000 gallons. The city of Newark have now taken hold of the project, and are now getting 2,500,000 gallons daily from twenty-three numbered wells. Driven wells in New York city and elsewhere are also yielding satisfactorily.

Mr. W. D. Andrews, of New York, explained the difference between a dug well, with impervious sides, and a driven well. In the former the pressure of air on the surface prevented the accumulation of water in the well, while in the latter, the vacuum in the well produced just the contrary effect. In support of this assertion, Mr. Clayton gave a description of an interesting experiment made in court, in which a miniature driven well took all the water out of a miniature dug well sunk beside it while the driven well continued to flow as long as the pumping was kept up.

In response to a question from Mr. Hayes, Mr. Christopher Baker said that the wells sunk as an experiment on Park Avenue were sunk through fifteen feet of gravel and twelve of hard pan, and were free from surface water. Mr. John Gill spoke of the highly satisfactory results of driven wells at his mills. It was resolved that a committee be appointed to ascertain the cost of procuring an adequate water supply for Orange from the driven wells. The meeting adjourned without electing officers.

Esther.

A musical and dramatic entertainment entitled the "Oratorio of Esther" was given in Library Hall on Thanksgiving Eve, for the benefit of the M. E. Church of this place. A large audience was present, and the performance was entirely successful. As there were some eighty-four artists who appeared upon the stage, we will not go into the business of telling how well each one sang or acted. It is enough to say that it was probably the best entertainment our Methodist people have ever given, and they have given some very good ones. This being of an operatic nature, it was a novelty, and considering that it was such, the solos, choruses and recitations were very well sustained. The male characters, "Haman" and "Mordacai" were excellent, so also were "Queen Esther," "Zerubbabel" and little "Iddo" on the part of the ladies. The lady who personated "Mordacai's Sister," had a rich contralto voice, and sang with fine effect—although she did not receive the encore accorded to perhaps better known singers. We must not forget to speak of Mr. Campbell who as musical director and sustainer of the chief bass part, contributed much to make the entertainment successful, nor to mention the instrumental accompaniments by Messrs Bliss, Bartholomew and Plumé, upon the cornet, and Master W. Carl, Pianist. "Esther" is to be repeated on Monday evening at the same place.

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